Unstarred Question 1539 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 8th August, 1988 and state: (a) what are the terms and conditions imposed by the Department of Chemicals on Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation for allowing huge ad-hoc import of banned/restricted insecticide Carbaryl; (b) whether it is a fact that before confirmation of ad-hoc import, Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation entered into an illegal agreement with M/s Rhone Poulenc Agro Chemicals (India) Limited, Bombay to sell the entrie quantity to that company in their trade name after formulations; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if so, whether Government have since cancelled the licence for the ad-hoc import of the insecticide by the Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation and if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO) : (a) There are no specific terms and conditions for issue of such supplementary licences for restricted items in the Import Policy. These licences are given to actual users for formulation at their premises and sales within the country.

(b) As per information received from the company they did not enter into any prior agreement with M/s Rhone Poulenc Agro Chemicals (India) Limited, Bombay. They were given import licence dated 11-4-88 while sales agreement was entered into with Rhone Poulenc Agro Chemicals (India) Ltd. on 15-4-1988. The company has also informed that entire quantity of imported material was formulated in their own plant and bulk of sales were made by them. Only some quantity was given to Rhone Poulenc Agro Chemicals for sale.

(c) Does not rise.

Manufacturing of export items by small scale units

4541. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that National Small Industries Corporation Limited (NSIC), New Delhi are receiving regular export orders for various items. If so, the names and details of such items, categoriwise;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Chairman and the Executive Director (Marketing and Export) of the Corporation under the new 20 Points Economic Programme of the Prime Minister to generate more employment and to end poverty speedily, have agreed in principle to encourage the setting up of new small scale units for the manufacture of such items of high quality; and

(c) if so, what kind of facilities, assistance, etc. NSIC would like to extend for such units and by when such units will start operating?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Corporation receives export orders under various product groups such as builders hardware, components, hand tools, leather gloves etc.

(b) and (c) As a developmental and promotional body in the field of small scale sector, the Corporation encourages setting up of new small scale units by providing plant & equipment on easy instalments under its hire purchase scheme. It is however left to the entrepreneurs to set up the units for which they have the requisite experience and capability. The Corporation, wherever possible, encourages entrepreneurs and small scale industrialists to set up units to manufacture quality goods having export potential.

Bhakra Beas Management Board

@4542. SHRI KAMA MORARKA : Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that under Punjab Reorganisation Act, Bhakra Beas Management Board was entrusted with the control of Ravi Beas and Sutlej rivers Head works; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not implementing the provision of the Act ?

@Previously unstarred Question 4329 transferred from the Ist September, 1988

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI) : (a) According to Section 79(1) (c) of the Punjab Reorganisation Act, 1966, the administration, maintenance and operation of the irrigation headworks at Ropar, Harike and Ferozepur is to vest with the Bhakra Beas Management Board. But these headworks have not been transferred by the Government of Punjab to the Bhakra Beas Management Board so far.

(b) A directive was issued by the Central Government in Jan., 1978 directing the Government of Punjab to hand over the control of the headworks of Ropar, Harike and Ferozepur to Bhakra Beas Management Board. Subsequently, an Agreement was signed by the Chief Ministers of Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan in the presence of the Prime Minister on 31-12-1981, in which there was a provision regarding measures to ensure equitable distribution of water to all the partner States. Accordingly, Bhakra Beas Management Board has been regularly reviewing the water releases to the various States. All the partner States are represented on the Bhakra Beas Management Board and any complaint about short supplies is taken up by the concerned State Government and sorted out in the Board itself.